

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, twenty-six years ago, on October twenty-fourth 1945, the United Nations came into being; and,

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the United Nations called for the annual observance of October twenty-fourth as United Nations Day, to be devoted by all Member Nations to making known to the people of the world the aims and achievements of the United Nations and to gaining their support for the work of the United Nations; and,

WHEREAS, the President of the United States each year officially proclaims October twenty-fourth as United Nations Day in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the United Nations was created to maintain peace in the world, based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples, to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, and to raise the standard of living for all men -- purposes which the United States of America wholeheartedly supports; and,

WHEREAS, the ultimate success of the United Nations depends upon the support of an informed public which recognizes the achievements and benefits derived from our national participation in the United Nations and which understands both the problems and potentials of the United Nations; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of this State, acknowledging that the highest ideals and aspirations of this country are closely allied to the hopes and aims of peoples everywhere, share the national commitment to the spirit of the Charter of the United Nations:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, October twenty-fourth, 1971, as

UNITED NATIONS DAY

and call upon all citizens of this State to observe that day in the spirit of common purpose expressed in the United Nations Charter. I urge everyone, groups or individuals, to participate in programs and activities designed to develop an understanding of the problems and potentials of the United Nations, and to stimulate discussions of ways to make the United Nations into a more effective organization. I ask all citizens to observe United Nations Day with a sense of rededication to the high truths which we in the United States hold to be self-evident, as expressed for us in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, and for all the world in the Charter of the United Nations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota in Pierre, the Capital City, this 22nd day of October, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-one.

Richard F. Kneip

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alma Larson

ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

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